

## Solons Agree On Bonus

Washington, March 7.—A final agreement on the compromise soldiers' bonus bill was reached today by the house ways and means committee of republicans who authorized chairman Fordney to present the measure to the house before adjournment today.

Representative Fordney announced that the democrats on the committee would be called in Saturday to give formally on the bill. He said it was his plan to present the formal report to the house immediately after the measure had been approved by the entire committee. The democrats are not expected to submit a minority report.

As finally drafted, the measure carries four options with an added provision of immediate cash payment to those former service men entitled to not more than \$500 of adjusted service pay. The other three options are vocational training, home and farm aid and land settlement.

## BUSY DAYS IN JUDGE COTTELL'S COURT

From 9 o'clock Monday morning until 5:30 in the afternoon, Judge John H. Cottrell heard motions and demurrers in forty-two cases in United States district court. Many other motions and demurrers were heard.

Attorneys from Guthrie, Tulsa, Elgin, Muskogee, Lawton and other towns were in court on various cases, all of a civil nature.

The grand jury will convene Wednesday.

Judges John C. Pollock and Kimbrough Stone have not yet returned from Little Rock, where they went to sit in a three-judge case. Briefs in the gas rate cases heard in federal court last week had not been filed today it was said.

Decision in the gas cases may be announced from any point in the judges' circuit, it was said.

## CORRUPTION IN OFFICE IS CHARGE AGAINST DENNIS

Oklahoma City, March 7.—Hearing of charges of corruption in office and violation of the state banking laws, pending against Fred Dennis, former state bank commissioner, was scheduled to begin in the criminal court of appeals here today, according to an announcement by Judge Thomas H. Doyle of that court.

## IRATE FATHER FLOGS MAN WHO MADE DATE WITH DAUGHTER

John P. Somers, Poteau farmer, used a horsewhip on John Wheeler and did it on a public street when he found that Wheeler was secretly meeting his daughter after he had been warned not to speak to her. The spectators enjoyed the affair and did not interfere until the enraged parent had administered a sound beating.

## STATE RETAIL DEALERS IN SESSION AT OKLAHOMA CITY

Sam Gardner, Tom Jenkins, Ben Weinberger, Fred Soehl, F. W. Lintz and Lloyd Lantz are attending the state meeting of retailers at Oklahoma City. Dealers from every city in the state are attending the meeting which is said to be the best attended of any yet held.

## ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING CALLED FOR MARCH 27

The annual school meetings and elections will be held in the rural school districts of the county this year on Tuesday, March 27.—Instructions and supplies are being mailed by the county superintendent's office. Levies will be voted at that time.

## BANDITS ROB BANK IN ILLINOIS TODAY

West Frankfort, Ill., March 7.—Bandits early today blew the safety deposit vault at the Ewing state bank, near here and escaped with an undetermined amount of loot.

## ELKS TO ELECT

Elks will elect officers for the ensuing year, next Tuesday night, March 14. Installation of officers April 11.

## WEATHER

Tonight and Wednesday fair, rising temperature.

## Five Killed When Air Tank Explodes

Kansas City, Mo., March 7.—Five men were killed here today when a compressed air tank exploded at the yards of the Kansas City railway company. Ten other men were injured. All were employees.

## F. W. LINTZ TO HEAD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Frank Cullison, Vice-President; Fred Beck, Treasurer; Col. W. H. Hornaday Named Temporary Secretary

The newly elected Chamber of Commerce directors met Monday night and organized. S. P. Gardner, president and W. H. Hornaday acting as secretary. The resignation of Lawrence Johnson as a director was read and accepted. F. W. Lintz was elected to fill the vacancy.

F. W. Lintz was unanimously elected president; Frank Cullison, vice-president and Fred Beck, treasurer. A committee headed by F. H. McGuire was selected to notify Mr. Lintz of his election as soon as he returns to the city.

The president was instructing to appoint a special committee to confer about a permanent secretary and the future plans of the Chamber of Commerce. After some discussion as to the work before the organization for the coming year, and what it means to Guthrie, the board adjourned to meet at call of the president. There was a full attendance of the new directors and others interested in the work for the coming year.

## OKMULGEE GRAND JURY IS STILL ON THE JOB

Oklmulgee, March 7.—The district court grand jury today continued its investigation in the failure of the Bank of Commerce here on November 2, last. Almost a score of witnesses were on hand for questioning, and with others yet to be summoned, there was no indication as to when a report might be expected.

## TWO TOWNS WIPED OUT BY STORM

Augusta, Ga., March 7.—Langley and Warrenville, two towns 10 and 12 miles respectively from Augusta, in South Carolina, are reported to have been wiped out by a storm today. Four persons are known to be dead. Wires are down.

## Snow Improves Crop Conditions

Washington, March 7.—Increased moisture has improved the conditions of winter wheat in Kansas, while a lack of it has resulted in a poor condition of the crop in parts of Nebraska, Colorado, and New Mexico. The department of agriculture reported today in its crop review for the last half of February. In Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, some damage was reported from alternate freezing and thawing; conditions were said to be favorable in central Iowa, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia, while lack of snow cover in southern Iowa and Wisconsin was reported to be retarding growth. Condition of winter rye was said to be generally favorable in the central states.

The report noted indications of a general tendency toward increased acreage of cotton, with land being prepared for planting in Oklahoma and Texas and some planting already done in southern Texas and Florida.

Prospects for this season's fruit crop were said to be generally favorable, although some injury was reported to fruit buds in southern Wisconsin.

Livestock was reported to be in generally good condition and health, with winter losses slight, and pastures and ranges also to be improved by moisture.

## Yeast and Booze Won't Mix

Washington, March 7.—Approval of the Fleischmann company Inc. of New York, from the orders issued Friday by Prohibition Commissioner Haynes revoking its industrial permits and directing the seizure of alcohol in all its branches was being heard today by the internal revenue commissioner, Blair. Mr. Blair had announced his intention of rendering a decision on the case as quickly as possible.

A rehearing of the case was granted the company by Mr. Blair after a conference with Secretary Mellon Saturday, attended by Mr. Dever, Mr. Haynes and Internal Revenue Solicitor Mapes, at which it was said the treasury recognized the idea of the company that the recent hearings in Philadelphia before S. F. Butler, former assistant prohibition director for Pennsylvania, were not before an actual deputy of the prohibition commissioner.

Cancellation of the company's permits and the seizure of alcohol at the branches at New York City, Philadelphia, New York, New York, Philadelphia, Newark, Pa., Jersey City, Cincinnati, Bridgeport, Conn., Cambridge, Mass., and London, D. C., was ordered by Mr. Haynes upon the recommendation of Mr. Butler. He assigned as grounds for the issuance of the orders that at the Philadelphia hearings it was established that two companies had diverted non-beverage alcohol to beverage purposes, disposed of alcohol without permits and on false permits. Kind to keep proper records and otherwise acted "in the utmost bad faith with respect to conforming with the national prohibition act and the regulations in carrying on business under its several permits. Counsel for the company, it was understood, were prepared to enter a denial of the charges, contending that the company had made every effort to conform to the prohibition regulations.

In the event of the revocation orders being upheld it was understood that compensation would be given to working out regulations under which the company could continue the manufacture of yeast as fermentation producing alcohol is a necessary part of the process.

Grass fires kept the department busy today. Three alarms were turned in.

## DAUGHTERS OF CHINA'S NEW PREMIER ATTEND SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES



Misses Rose and Violet Chang, daughters of the new Chinese Premier Chang Kai-shek, taken at the exclusive Girls' School, "Hsin-shan" in the Pines, Nanting, Manchuria, where they are learning American ways.

## LOGAN MAN IS HEAD-LINER AT STOCKYARDS

Nelson Branscomb Sells Two Loads of Dehorned Steers At Season's Top Price

Nelson Branscomb, former and leader from Logan county, furnished the headlines in the cattle yards Tuesday, at the National stock yard, Oklahoma City, when he marketed two loads of red, dehorned steers at the season's high price of \$10.45 head, averaging 1219.

Mr. Branscomb is a leader of the old school, believing that the fellow that feeds year in and year out will come out in the long run of the credit wheel, while the in-and-outer will show a loss.

## MIDNIGHT FUNERAL FOR LATE HARRY F. ARDREY

Midnight funeral services for the late Harry F. Ardrey will be held at the Masonic Temple Wednesday night.

The remains will be taken to Columbus, Indiana, his boyhood home, and interment made in the family cemetery near that city. Mrs. Frank Edwards, sister of the deceased and his two brothers, Merrill and J. B. Ardrey will accompany the remains in the old home.

## LAST BASKET BALL GAME OF SEASON WEDNESDAY

The last basket ball game of the season will be played between the high girls and the high school team of Crescent City Wednesday night, at 8 o'clock at the city hall. An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged to defray expenses.

## LANDIS SIGNS UP FOR SEVEN YEARS; \$354,000

Judge Landis will be the high baseball commissioner for the next seven years. He signed a contract today with organized baseball interests to be the sole arbiter of the great American game. His salary will be \$50,000 a year.

## ELKS TO INSTALL

Elks will install new officers next Tuesday evening.

## Murder Evidence Is Furnished By Ku Klan

Deerfield, Fla., March 7.—Acting on information which the authorities say was furnished by the Ku Klux Klan, Mrs. Alice R. Shields was arrested today on a warrant charging her with the murder of her husband, William C. Shields, formerly of Marion, Ill., who was shot and killed near here February 28th.

## COURT HAS GAS CASES UNDER ADVISEMENT

Gas Concerns Make Piteous Plea That Corporation Commission Is Hijacking Them

The hearing in the United States district court at Oklahoma City on applications for injunction brought by the Muskogee Natural Gas company, the Oklahoma Gas and Electric company, the Muskogee Gas and Electric company and the Oklahoma Gas company are concluded.

The hearings were held before Judge John C. Cottrell of the Western district, assisted by Judges John C. Pollock, Kansas City, Kansas, and Kimbrough Stone, of St. Louis.

The arguments occupied almost one week, and covered almost the entire length of the gas situation.

The legal contentions of the gas companies were that their property is being confiscated without due process of law, by reason of unreasonable and confiscatory orders of the Oklahoma corporation commission, which they claim are forcing them to do business at a loss.

Attorneys for the company contended that they had empowered all of the remedies available before the corporation commission, and the court of the state, and that these alleged confiscatory rates are now in force and effect, and unless they were given relief from them through injunction proceedings, they will continue to sustain serious loss, and may be thrown into bankruptcy.

The attorneys for the corporation commission and the gas using towns, which had organized in opposition to the application for injunction, claimed that the applications of the companies were premature, and could not be sustained in the federal court until the gas companies had exhausted all their remedies in the courts of the state.

These attorneys claimed that the gas companies are now maintaining actions in the Supreme Court of Oklahoma similar to those brought in the federal court, and until those were determined, they could not avail themselves of federal court action.

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## TO SELL INTEREST IN RANCH

An undivided one-half interest in Maltah ranch is for sale by T. L. Burnett.

## Kills Husband Defending Mother

St. Louis, March 7.—Defending her 61-year-old mother, Mrs. Ruth Evans, 28, shot and killed her former husband, Michael Marchlewski, 24, known as "Polander Mike," a notorious police character, at her home here early today. Mrs. Evans told police Marchlewski called at the home and after beating her, threatened to kill her mother who intervened.

The couple had separated and "Polander Mike" sought a reconciliation. He was arrested 40 times in the last five years, several times in connection with murders, according to police records.

## Fatty's Witnesses Indicted

San Francisco, March 7.—Mrs. Minnie Nellie, wife of Fatty, who was indicted in the trial of Fatty Arbuckle, were indicted today on charges of conspiracy to defraud the county grand jury.

Mrs. Nellie was indicted at Arbuckle's trial for the same offense. Mrs. Nellie is accused of conspiring with Fatty Arbuckle, at Wheeler Hot Springs, Ventura county, Calif., in August, 1921, and that Mrs. Nellie had suffered two back sprains while at the hot springs.

District Attorney Matthew Brady, after the grand jury session and he had presented the jury with evidence to prove Mrs. Nellie was not at the springs at the time stated by Mrs. Nellie.

"I doubt if Mrs. Nellie ever was at this hot springs," said Brady.

Mrs. Nellie testified at the second trial of Arbuckle. She said she worked with Mrs. Nellie in a Chicago department store in 1914, where the film actress had been employed as a model.

Brady said he furnished the grand jury with records from the Chicago store to show that Mrs. Nellie worked at the establishment in 1914, was discharged in 1916 and had not been re-employed by the store. Brady is a statement giving his reasons for asking the indictments, said he intended to prosecute "all persons who commit perjury."

"I consider this far more important than prosecuting persons charged with other felonies," Brady said.

## OLD DIRECTORS TO FIGHT DEFICIT

It is evident that great interest is manifested in country club matters, judging from the large attendance at the stockholders meeting.

The boys were thrown down and stock will be available to new owners. The club has a deficit to meet and the old directors were named again to fight it. One of the club will remain the same, but the new membership charge will be \$125.

## JUDGE SMITH GOES TO HUGHES COUNTY TO HOLD COURT

Judge Chas. Smith left yesterday evening for Holdenville, where he will preside in a case today where in the judge of the district court of that county was disqualified. Judge Smith will return Thursday and continue the court term here. A jury has been called for March 13.

## OKLAHOMA CITY TO VOTE ON BIG SCHOOL BOND ISSUE

It will require \$1,125,000 to repair and erect buildings in Oklahoma City, according to the board of education of that city. And a bond election will be held to vote that sum. Oklahoma City has never turned down a school bond issue yet, is the claim made.

## FUNERAL SERVICES FOR LATE MRS. BALLARD WEDNESDAY

The funeral services for the late Mrs. Martha Ballard, will be conducted by Rev. Calvin at the Church Chapel at 3 o'clock p. m. Wednesday March 8.

Interment will be made at Winfield, Kansas, her former home.

## SLAYER OF LAWTON TAXI DRIVER NOT TO DIE SOON

Will take confessed driver of Russell Jordan, Lawton taxi cab driver and who was to have been electrocuted St. Patrick's Day March 17, has been given another lease on life by Governor Robertson; the new order is for 60 days.

## RIOTING IN BELFAST RESULTING IN DEATHS

Belfast, March 7.—Rioting in Hanover Street this afternoon resulted in firing into a crowd by the military killing two boys and wounding one. The lord-mayor announced that the imposition of martial law was imminent.

## CHICKEN THIEVES ARE BUSY IN CITY AGAIN

E. W. Hart, 724 East Mansur reports the loss of seven chickens from his coop last night. Several other complaints have reached the sheriff's office since Saturday.

## Comptroller Wants Gold Standard Restored Over World

New York, March 7.—American institutions must prepare to meet the attack of Bolshevism arrayed in the East "against the entire Western conception of human society and human destiny," Comptroller of the Currency Crissinger declared in an address before the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Banking.

Failing to break down the social and political system of Western Europe and America, Mr. Crissinger asserted, Bolshevism has turned its energies toward stirring up antagonisms in the East, under the leadership of Moscow and the Third Internationale, against the Western powers. Removal of the menace does not mean it is destroyed, he said, as "it is pursuing its menacing activities" where it cannot be

watched or dealt with so directly. "If we are to cope effectively with this attack on our institutions," he declared, "we must search our institutions and organizations in an effort to determine to what extent they justify violent criticism and hostile attack; adopt measures of reform that will justify us in insisting that ours is the system best suited to the needs of the world."

"We must respond to the challenge by convincing the world that our institutions, our civilization, our economic methods, our instruments whereby to promote the general advance of mankind are the best that have been offered for the promotion of human welfare. I submit that if they are not all this they do not deserve perpetuation."

Mr. Crissinger said he was convinced that the consolidated credit and gold resources of the world were ample to sustain a monetary system through which international commerce could be returned to a basis of security within a reasonable time. He added:

"It is not only possible for the United States to bring forward proposals looking to the re-establishment of the gold standard, but it is the duty of the United States to take the lead in this matter because this country has become well nigh a monopolist of the world's monetary gold. With about 7 per cent of the world's population this country holds some 40 per cent of the world's gold stock. We